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THE Covina Exponent is putting up a concrete building for itself. Good for the C. E.

SAN FRANCISCO has another tragedy. She is the buckle on the Northern Murder Belt.

"MUCH loss of life is feared" on account of an awful snowstorm in England. What is a snowstorm, anyhow?

A FEW more copies of the superb New Year's Times remain unsold. It is a mine of information about Southern California.

THE striking carmen of San Francisco committed another outrage Friday night, severely wounding a conductor and a passenger.

THE TIMES presents elsewhere this morning a picture of the new county jail, which has already been fully described in these columns.

IN another column will be found a valuable comparison of real-estate prices in the leading cities of the Union, including Los Angeles.

THE weekly real-estate review of THE TIMES has become a feature of recognized value. It has been running for five months, and is the most comprehensive statement of this important business ever attempted here.

THE real-estate sales recorded here during the six days which ended last night amounted to \$1,588,700. This is commended to the prayerful consideration of the Sacramento Bee. Sacramento's sales in the same time, it is safe to say, did not amount to \$150,000.

THE orange crop of Louisiana this year is less than one-tenth of an average crop, and oranges are retailing in New Orleans at 30 to 50 cents per dozen. Never mind; the citrus belt of Southern California will supply the deficiency and the citrus belt of Northern California will send its regrets.

IT would be difficult to conceive a more ridiculous proposition than that some enemy of the San Francisco strikers committed the dynamite outrage. It will next be in order for the Express to discover that the enemies of the South fired on Fort Sumter, in order to get the South into trouble.

IT is said that the candidates for the Nevada Senatorship have mutually agreed to spend no more than \$100,000 in the campaign, and the fear is expressed that no such close-fisted men can be elected, but that some dark horse with \$300,000 will loom up and distance the economical candidates. Nevada is a very, very rotten borough.

IT is said that the Southern Pacific will be effected in a more marked degree by the enactment of the "long and short haul" clause of the California Inter-State Commerce Bill than any railroad in the country, as its line from this city to New Orleans lacks only five miles of being 2500 miles in length, the longest continuous line of rails owned and operated by any one company in the United States.

## OF With the Old.

Even old residents, who have lived for a generation in Los Angeles, feel almost like strangers upon its streets, so large is the influx of population, and so many the new faces to be met everywhere. One by one the old landmarks are being removed to make room for the rapid advance of improvements that are being pushed in every direction, and the Los Angeles of today has hardly a feature in keeping with the Los Angeles of a decade ago. The very face of Nature has changed, too. Great hills have been leveled, deep gulches filled, and streets been built up through broken passes, making a marvelous transformation in many portions of the city.

Los Angeles is beginning to have a look of permanency, as if she were building for a magnificent future. There is the feature of solidity in her massive granite-trimmed blocks, such as never was seen in the old-time structures. These blocks proclaim that they are built for the future—for a future of commercial greatness and general business activity. They are cosmopolitan in character, and suggest something beyond mere local trade and barter. They are the index points of prosperity, the badges of our connection with the great centers of trade throughout the country, of trade that is seeking connection with us, and of the manifold interests that here find representation. They show that the world is at our very doors. We have nothing now to do but to meet it fairly and honestly and make room for it. It is ready to come, is coming, and will continue to come just as long as we pursue a wise and generous policy toward it. We have enough to give without exaggerating our resources, on in any way disparaging those of other sections. It is because Los Angeles is what she is that she is growing so rapidly, because she has the wealth of soil and climate, the beauty of situation, and the advantage of commercial position to make her opulent in the future. We have but to pursue a wise policy, and to make a generous provision for the reception of those coming into our midst, to attract and hold an almost unlimited immigration. Los Angeles is everywhere in the mouth of Eastern home-seekers, and with many Los Angeles is California.

THE location of the headquarters of the Department of Arizona in Los Angeles, hitherto noted and commented upon, is a large-sized martial plume which the Queen City can wear in her bonnet. No public measure of equal import was ever put through so expeditiously in this part of the country. It was only in October last that the subject was broached by the Board of Trade. The Department of Arizona is the largest, and one of the most important of the army at the present time, and is likely to remain so, unless some war breaks out. Gen. Miles and staff, with a considerable retinue of officers, clerks and attachés will be located here, and, to all intents and purposes, will become citizens to the manor born. As a matter of business, also, the location of the headquarters here is a ten-strike. An immense amount of contracting will be done here, and in this Los Angeles merchants will, of course, capture a profitable share. As for the soldiers, it is unlikely that any number will be stationed here, unless some war or public disturbance requires it.

THE papers of the Northern Quinine Belt are industriously nursing the foolish story that Los Angeles had paid agents at the northern citrus fair to poison the minds of visitors against the northern part of the State. It is a story out of whole cloth. Los Angeles doesn't have to send out paid agents to lie against any one nor for her, and she doesn't do it. The only danger is that she may have to hire an extra police force and a procession of bull-dogs to keep the visitors from crushing each other in their mad rush to get to the garden spot of all the earth. Seriously, there are very few people in Los Angeles who would "do dirt" to the up-country. The only thing is, the northern papers are so perennially laughable that no one with any sense of humor can refrain from "taking them out and having fun with them." They are also sometimes so malicious that they have to be spanked. If the N. C. B. didn't worry any more about Southern California than we do about the N. C. B., it would save itself many a heart-burn.

THIS Daily Payne, having suddenly and unexpectedly developed into a prodigy of newspaper management, finds itself, at the end of a brief three months out of soap. Imports a box from Chicago. More Payne; more prodigious management. Bimeby no more soap, no more importation, no more Daily Payne! *Hic jacit. R. i. p.*

## POLITICS AND POLITICIANS.

IT has been remarked that when the Republicans were in power there was no Mormon lobby about Washington.

Mr. Eugene Higgins, appointment clerk in the Treasury Department, appears to have the Administration in his grip.

Hon. E. B. Washburne and ex-Secretary Robert T. Lincoln are spoken of in connection with the vacant Illinois Senatorship.

This glorifying in the New South as the right thing would seem to prove that the Old South was wrong. But the New South will not have come in its full glory until elections there are as fair and free as in the North.

The proposition to make the small, illiterate, ill-assorted, three-fourths "Greaser" population of New Mexico a State with two Senators, a Congressman and three electoral votes, is one which even the most partisan Democrat should hesitate to press.

## THE SAUNTERER.

I saw a lovely little incipient mother upon the street the other day—a beautiful baby girl of about two summers. Her nurse was pushing her along in her carriage, and beside her, on the seat, was a wax doll nearly as large as the little maid herself. About it the baby's arm was thrown lovingly, and every now and then the beautiful child leaned forward, looking with tender, questioning glances into dolly's face. Ah, the beauty and the purity of mother-love, inherent even in the breast of tender babyhood. It is the one unselfish, sinless thing that is left us from Eden.

I met the charming, blue-eyed little daughter of one of our leading lawyers one day last week. She is full of bright sayings and poetic fancies. Among her acquaintances is a pretty, dark-eyed child, with a face like a flower, for whom the little girl has conceived a great fancy. Speaking of her admiration for her she said to her mother: "Mamma, I think she looks like a pansy." Out of these flowers the little one easily fancies that she sees a human face looking, and in them she traces strong resemblance as to the friends that she loves.

Our street cars are filled to overflowing every evening at the hour for the home-going of the laboring classes. On the street car the other evening the Saunterer saw a lady sitting sideways upon her seat, occupying in this position room enough for two people, evidently for the purpose of preventing a laborer who was standing in front of her from taking the vacant seat by her side. So the tired man stood for the distance of about eight blocks, until another seat was vacated, where he could sit without coming in contact with the silken rolls of this alleged lady. Oh, woman, why will you selfishly lay aside so often the beautiful graciousness of true womanhood.

I ran across a pretty child a few days since who was teaching her dollies to read. She had not a bit of race prejudice, for there, side by side with her flaxen-haired pets, was a genuine almond-eyed and black-haired heathen Chinese doll baby.

"Oh, I have lots of trouble with my heafun baby, teaching him to read, a member the Sabbath," said the staid little mother. "He has been taught to 'member the Sabbath day, an he will play wif me sometimes, but mamma says I must tell him better."

Young as you are little girl, even you want a scape-goat sometimes. I thought as I looked at her and then at the senseless heathen-faced toy upon whom she laid the burdens of her conscience.

Travel is growing so rapidly with our largely-increasing population that Los Angeles needs greatly an increase in her street-car facilities. A good many people have to walk who would be only too glad to patronize the street cars were they not so overcrowded that even standing room cannot always be had within them. Either more cars should be put on, or else they should run more frequently, in order to serve all who depend upon them for conveyance. Doubtless our street-car companies will meet this growing need as soon as possible.

The Saunterer was out over the Temple-street road some days ago, and was astonished to see the wonderful growth of the city in that direction. Four years ago there were but a few scattered dwellings beyond Hope street. Now there are stores, school-house, church, college, hotel, engine-house, hospital, and hundreds of pleasant dwellings dotting the hills and the lowlands, enough almost for a city of themselves. And another beautiful feature is the increased greenness of the landscape arising from the pretty hedges and gardens that have been planted, and the shade-trees that lift their cool emerald in the sunshine. It is a magical as well as a pleasant change, but one that will doubtless be outlived in the rapidly-growing years to come.

The Saunterer heard the other day of an old-time resident of Los Angeles who had been absent for half a dozen years, or more, but who had just come back to visit the old home. But all the familiar landmarks were gone, the old adobe had been torn down to give place to a more pretentious mansion, and the surroundings were so entirely changed that the person could not tell the exact spot whereon the old home had stood.

I think there is something sad in such home-going, even though the changes made are for the better. It is like the wiping out of loved memories and loved faces.

"I've been writing East to my friends that they had better come to Los Angeles to live, and telling them, too, that a hundred years hence I intend to be as active and cheery as I am now," said a smiling newcomer to the saunterer a morning or two since. "I don't see what excuse there is for a person to be sick, or dying here, for that matter." And he rubbed his hands gleefully together as he thought of the chill and the cold that he had escaped into the never-failing warmth and brightness of our semi-tropic winter.

## Mr. Rose will Remain.

L. J. Rose, who recently sold his magnificent property in the San Gabriel Valley to an English company, has been investing largely during the past few weeks, in Ventura property, which has led some persons to believe that Mr. Rose intended to leave Los Angeles. THE TIMES is happy to be able to state that such is not the case; Mr. Rose will remain with us. He has purchased about 140 feet on Fourth street, 165 on Charity street, upon which he will erect a magnificent residence, to cost \$25,000. The plans are already in the architect's hands and work will be commenced the moment they are ready.

## THE WEATHER.

LOCAL BULLETIN.  
LOS ANGELES SIGNAL OFFICE, Jan. 8.—At 4:07 a.m. today the thermometer registered 41 at 12:37 p.m., 60, and at 7:07 p.m., 54. Barometer for corresponding periods, 29.95, 30.02, 30.06. Maximum temperature, 63.0; minimum, 38.0. Weather at 7:07 p.m., clear.

## INAUGURATED.

## Gov. Bartlett Takes the Oath of Office.

Lieut.-Gov. Waterman Also Enters Upon his Duties.

Stoneman Emphasizes His Exit with a Characteristic Speech.

The Inaugural Ceremonies Brief and Simple—The New Governor Greeted with Music and a Salute—Proceedings of the State Legislature.

By Telegraph to The Times.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 8.—[By the Western Associated Press.] The joint assembly was called to order at 10 o'clock. The Speaker opened the returns from San Mateo, San Benito and Merced, and announced the result as follows: Washington Bartlett, 84,770; John F. Swift, 84,811; C. C. O'Donnell, 12,297; Joel Russell, 6,493; Wigginton, 7,347; scattering, 336; total, 195,623.

Speaker Jordan then said: "Washington Bartlett having received a plurality of all the votes cast, I declare him elected Governor for the ensuing term. This announcement was received with applause."

The vote for Lieutenant-Governor was announced as follows: M. F. Tarpey, 92,476; J. W. Waterman, 94,973. Waterman having received the highest number of votes, he was declared elected Lieutenant-Governor.

The minutes of the joint assembly were then read and approved, and after Senator Young had announced that Governor Bartlett had been consulted and had signified his willingness to be inaugurated at 3 o'clock this afternoon, the convention adjourned until that hour.

## THE INAUGURATION.

Promptly at 3 o'clock the two governors entered the Assembly chamber and the inaugural ceremonies opened with music by the band.

Speaker Jordan then said: "Members of the Convention, and ladies and gentlemen: We are assembled at this time for the purpose of inaugurating him who has been elected Governor of this State, and also him who has been elected Lieutenant-Governor of this State."

After prayer by Rev. Mr. Dille, the Speaker again said: "It is with pleasure I introduce to you the Governor of this State, George Stoneman."

Gov. Stoneman began a short address saying: "Only a few hours ago I learned that I was expected to make an address here today. You all know by this time that I'm done making speeches and I shall not make any more unless I have time to prepare them. I only want to say that it is with great pleasure that I hand over today the office of Governor to one who is far better versed in political affairs than I am. I hope he will be able to present to him day after day the troublesome questions I have had to answer. During my term as Governor I have tried to do what is right, and when doubt began to arise I let that which seemed best take its own course. In appointing men I have selected men I thought my fellow-citizens would have chosen, and it is with satisfaction that I say that as far as I can learn, in the 3000 appointments made by me, there has been no case of malfeasance in office. For one who knew as little of the people of this State, when I came into this office, as I do now, I am proud to say that I have been able to do what I intended to do. Again asking you to pardon an address which had so little preparation I bid you all an affectionate good-bye."

## TAKING THE OATH.

There were cheers and applause at this, after which Judge Armstrong stepped forward and administered the oath of office to Governor-elect Bartlett. Speaker Jordan then introduced the new Governor of California to the people. Stepping forward to the desk, Gov. Bartlett bowed to the loud cheers of the house, after which he began his inaugural address, during the delivery he was frequently interrupted by applause. When it was ended a salute of 21 guns was fired and the band played "Hail to the Chief."

Lieut.-Gov. Waterman then took the oath and was introduced to the Assembly. He had prepared no speech and simply said: "My duty is only that of presiding over the Senate. I don't understand speech-making. I didn't know I was to be called on for an address. I shall bid you adieu."

Ex-Lieut. Gov. Daggett then made an address. With this the exercises ended and the orchestra under the able leadership of Mr. Tomasi, the very best we have ever had in Los Angeles.

## LEGISLATIVE PROCEEDINGS.

Senate.  
SACRAMENTO, Jan. 8.—[By the Western Associated Press.] The Senate met at 11 o'clock.

The morning was consumed in the discussion of a resolution offered by Mr. Jones to purchase a copy of the edit of the Codes of 1886 for the use of each member. The resolution was adopted. Each copy is to cost not to exceed \$11, and all are to be returned to the Secretary of State at the end of the session.

Recess was then taken until 3 o'clock.

The Senate reassembled at 4:30, when Lieut.-Gov. Daggett took leave of the members and introduced Lieut.-Gov. Waterman. The latter made a short speech in which he said, "Let us have peace, and invoked the good will of the Senators."

Mr. White of Los Angeles offered the following:

"Resolved, that the Senate extends its thanks to the retiring Lieutenant-Governor for the ability and impartiality displayed by him as its presiding officer, and tenders him its best wishes for his future prosperity and happiness."

Adopted.

The Senate then adjourned until 9 o'clock on Monday.

Assembly.  
SACRAMENTO, Jan. 8.—The Assembly met at 9:30 o'clock, and after transacting some routine business, took a recess until 11 o'clock, the hour set for the assembling of the Joint Convention.

After the adjournment of the Joint Convention, the Assembly began discussing when it should adjourn to a resolution to adjourn to Monday at 2 o'clock was carried.

It was then stated that the committees would not be appointed by the Speaker until Tuesday and that nothing could be gained by an adjournment till Monday. The Speaker confirmed the statement.

A motion to reconsider was adopted by a vote of 55 to 23.

A recess was taken until 2:45 p.m.

## Mayor's Court.

Mayor Workman applied some doses of law yesterday. J. Mahon, a d. d., was given 10 days; John Smith, a vag, 25 days; E. Ralston, one of the hypodermic morphine fiends, 10 days. He has been addicted to the habit five years. His sentence was for trespass, his vice not being covered by law. His companion, J. Newhouse, has been an injector of morphine for 11 years. His left arm was a hideous sight, absolutely covered with punctures, and so much inflamed that he has had to use his leg for injections. As he showed that he had work he was discharged.

## AN OUTRAGE.

## A Crowded Street Car Attached to a Mob of Strikers.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—[By the Western Associated Press.] Near midnight last night a crowd of car strikers left their meeting place and walked up Mason street. About fifteen minutes later a car of the Sutter street line was coming down the hill, and as it crossed Mason street the strikers sallied forth with sticks and stones and attacked the conductor, gripman and passengers on the dummy. One of the passengers was dealt a heavy blow on the head with an iron bar, cutting a deep gash in the scalp, which bled profusely. Simultaneously the conductor on the rear platform was struck on the head with a club and on the knee by a rock and severely bruised. The attack was so quickly done that no arrests could be made.

## Starved Herself to Death.

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 8.—Mary Harlan, a well-known woman of the town, ended a 43-days' fast at the city hospital to-day by dying. About two months ago she found herself recovering from a big spree at the workhouse. She positively refused to partake of any food, and after fourteen days of fasting the workhouse officials sent her to the hospital. There it was the same way, and she refused to eat or talk, and it was believed that her reason was deranged. Last night she told her sad story, and said that nobody had cause to regret her death, as she had not a relative in the world. She further stated that she had starved herself to death.

## Bay District Races.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—At the races at Bay District track today the purse for the 2:30 class was won by Marin, he taking first, fourth and fifth heats; Lonsellow the second and third; the other contestants being Problem, Blaine and Ed. Time: 2:37½, 2:37, 2:35½, 2:34¼ and 2:37.

## THE ELECTORAL COUNT BILL.

The conferees on the Electoral Count Bill held two meetings today and practically reached an agreement on that measure, although another conference will be held next week in order to perfect the text of the bill. The amendments made by the House in the Senate bill have substantially received the approval of the Senate conference, and whatever changes have been made by the conference committee are intended to make even more plain and beyond contention the proposition that with the States rests the power to absolutely determine any controversy, with reference to their electoral votes, and in the event of the failure of a State to make such decision as between two sets of returns, neither set can be counted except upon a concurrent vote of the House and Senate.

## STANDING UP FOR THE CLERKS.

The Secretary of State today transmitted to the Speaker of the House, in compliance with the statute, a list of names of employees of the Department of State, together with the statement that they have been useful employees, and that in lieu of one of them can be dispensed with. The Secretary added: "As the clerks of this department have become trained to a degree of usefulness beyond that which could reasonably be expected from new appointees, at present I am not prepared to recommend any changes."

## A BILL TO REDUCE TAXATION.

A bill to reduce internal-revenue taxation and the duties on raw sugar and other articles was introduced in the House today by Representative Hancock of New York. It reduces the rates of import duties on grades of sugars and provides for bounties on the manufacture of beet-root sugar. It repeals the internal-revenue laws which impose a tax on all forms of tobacco, and the special tax required of dealers and manufacturers of tobacco. It allows methylated spirit to be withdrawn from warehouses free of tax for use in the arts and manufactures under proper regulations. It provides that all articles, preparations and compounds intended for sale or use in the United States, except wines, liquors, spirits, cordials and other alcoholic compounds used and sold as beverages, may be made and manufactured in internal-revenue manufacturing warehouses, and with the use of distilled spirits, free of internal revenue tax, provided that the spirits so used shall be of an alcoholic strength of not less than 107 degrees proof.

## RECEPTION AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

Mrs. Cleveland held her first reception of the season this afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock. The ladies began to arrive at the White House at 1 o'clock, and waited patiently until the appointed hour. Mrs. Cleveland, assisted by Mrs. Manning, Mrs. Endicott, Miss Viles and Miss Hastings, niece of the President.

## FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

## Rumors of Peace and War Alternating in the Old World.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—[By the Western Associated Press.] "A cablegram from the Star says: 'Advices from European capitals are again warlike. The opinion that war will first break out between France and Germany, and that Russia will follow by swooping down immediately on Bulgaria, gains ground daily. The statement published that the German officers of reserve have been ordered to report in May is a blind. Preparations have been made for summoning the entire reserve at a few hours' notice, and all officers are expected to be in readiness at any hour of the day or night to report at headquarters.'"

## GREAT SNOWSTORM IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—[By Cable.] A terrible snowstorm, has prevailed throughout the midland counties in England. Much loss of life is feared. Highways and railways are impassable in many places, and mails are blocked.

## THE BULGARIAN QUESTION.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—[By Cable.] It is stated that the Russian government has made proposals which are calculated to peacefully solve the Bulgarian difficulty. Prince Alexander of Battenburg, who intends to make an extended tour in the East in order to set at rest the many rumors regarding his alleged purpose of returning to Bulgaria, will start for Egypt in a fortnight.

## PARIS, Jan. 8.—The Bulgarian delegation intend to visit Mr. Florens, Goblet, De Freycinet, Ferry and Clemenceau. They will ask that France propose to Russia to withdraw Prince Nicholas of Mingrelia, as a candidate for the Bulgarian throne.

## GLADSTONE WILL NOT YIELD.

LONDON, Jan. 8.—Gladstone personally denies that he is prepared to modify his home-rule bill, as announced yesterday by the Standard, which declared that he would make concessions to the Liberal Unionists.

## THE DANISH PARLIAMENT DISSOLVED.

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 8.—The Danish Lower House of Parliament has been dissolved, owing to a refusal to agree to the government's financial proposals and army estimates. The elections for a new House will take place January 28th.

## Kit Carson's Son.

A year or more ago THE TIMES discovered that a son of that most famous pioneer, Kit Carson, was living obscurely in this city, and published many interesting facts in connection therewith. Sam Carson himself is an old man now, has been sick, and is poor as Job's turkey. He is unable to raise the taxes on his little holding in Sonoma county, and is fearful that he will lose it. He has a memory which will give him an odd job now and then.

## WASHINGTON.

## Statesmen Looking to their Senatorial Fences.

Agreement on the Bill to Provide for the Electoral Count.

A Measure for Lopping off Taxes on Spirits and Tobacco.

Death of Brig.-Gen. Duncan—Mrs. Cleveland Gives a Reception to Ladies—Other Gossip and Cleanings from the National Capital.

By Telegraph to The Times.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—[By the Western Associated Press.] Representative Reagan left for Texas this morning, to take part in the Senatorial contest. He will remain away for about two weeks, and in the meantime the conduct of the Inter-State Commerce Bill, if the conference report is agreed to in the Senate, will be left in the hands of Crisp of Georgia, the third member of the House conference, Weaver of Nebraska, being also at home, looking after his Senatorial prospects.

## DEATH OF GEN. DUNCAN.

Brevet Brig.-Gen. Duncan, U. S. A., died yesterday afternoon, after a short illness, at his residence in this city. During the war of the Rebellion Gen. Duncan was struck on the head with a cannon ball, and a portion of his skull knocked off. Trepanning was resorted to, and for more than 30 years he has worn a silver plate, which took the place of the abstracted portion of his shattered skull.

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## UNITED LABOR SPLIT.

## Socialists Capture the Party in Chicago.

And Bar the Doors on Members Not in Sympathy With Them.

## The Coal-handlers' Strike Threatens a Fuel Famine in the East.

Treasures Found in the House of Two Philadelphia Miners who Starved Themselves to Death—Obtaining from the National Capital.

By Telegram to The Times.

CHICAGO, Jan. 8.—[By the Western Associated Press.] A long and bitterly-contested struggle occurred tonight in the conference of the United Labor party. The assembly had been called ostensibly to reorganize the party for the purpose of debaring as many as possible of Republican and Democratic nominees from obtaining office under the city government in the spring election. Reorganization, however, was entirely subordinate to the question whether membership in the party should depend upon taking a rigid pledge for severing all connection with other political bodies and promising implicit obedience to the constituted debaters of the party, meaning the so-called Committee of Twenty-one, elected when the movement was small. In consequence, many delegates and the organizations they represented rejected the cast-iron pledge, and when the conference met, were debarred from entering. The meeting was held with closed doors, and at midnight was yet angrily debating the pledge question, while the delegates who were refused admittance chafed in the narrow halls and stairways. Among those on the outside was Louis Riels, at one time private secretary of Master Workman Jackson, of Local Assembly No. 60, Knights of Labor. Against him a special fight was being made, on the ground that he was not an American citizen. Jackson claimed that the opposition to him was pure spite work on the part of the German societies, many of whom were aliens, whose national prejudices had been worked upon by a few Orangemen in his assembly.

CHICAGO, Jan. 9.—1:15 a.m.—The conference is still in session, but has finally decided in favor of the pledge, and refused recognition to all who would not sign. Jackson, though expressing willingness to give assent to the proposed promise, was shut out with the others. A new committee of twenty-one was elected, in which George Schilling and other locally prominent Socialists appear to have the lead.

## A FUEL FAMINE.

## Serious Results of the Strike of the Coal-handlers.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—[By the Western Associated Press.] The situation in regard to the coal-handlers' strike is gradually growing worse, and the outlook is serious. L. R. Barrett, agent for the Lehigh Valley Coal Company, said this afternoon that no business is being done by his company, and that if the strike continues a week or ten days there will be a coal famine. He said that the coal companies did not propose to give in to strikers, and as to wages that the men have been able to make from \$5 to \$10 per month. When asked if by a transfer of cars on floats something of a supply could be furnished the city, he said that there were not probably twenty-five floats in the harbor of the kind necessary, and that their capacity was only 300 tons each. Retail dealers have advanced the price 50 cents per ton, and coal yards, as a rule, are only scantily supplied, and some are empty. The wholesale dealers have not advanced the price, however.

## HOARDED TREASURE.

## The Wealth of Two Misers Who Starved to Death.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 8.—[By the Western Associated Press.] A search today of the house where the two old men, Joseph Perry and Richard Price, were found lying dead yesterday, brought to light a large amount of hidden treasure. Perry was the one who owned all the riches. He retired from a firm of auctioneers several years ago with independent means, and took Price, who was his cousin, as a companion. He was close-fisted, and hardly allowed himself the necessities of life. In an undertaking establishment the bodies lay today, ghastly in death. Their appearance was revolting and showed a frightful condition of personal neglect. A post-mortem examination was made today, and the inquest will be held on Monday. This afternoon the coroner's messenger with three distant relatives of Perry, and a lawyer began a search of the filthy old house. They began in the second-story front room, and before they had proceeded far their hunt had unearthed substantial evidence of hidden wealth. Removing the filthy coverlet from the bed, an old, dirty piece of paper was found, containing bank notes amounting to \$137. A small parcel was next found, containing \$40 in gold. An old, dirty cat was bag had \$500 in bright gold coin of the denominations of \$5, \$10 and \$20, and \$170 in bright, new gold certificates was wrapped in pieces of filthy cloth. Another piece of filthy clothing was found, and the third thing found was \$300 in \$50 gold certificates, wrapped in old rags and paper and stuck under a corner of the mattress. An old rag tied around the bed post was found to contain \$245 in gold pieces. In addition to the packages containing money, great piles of papers were brought out of old, musty boxes. They comprised deeds to property, mortgages, bank books, insurance policies, ground rents and other valuable documents.

## Important Railway Enterprise.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 8.—The Times's Topics special says: "An important move in railroad matters transpired tonight in the filing of charters for thirteen proposed lines which will gridiron Western Kansas. The scheme is backed by the Union Pacific. The projected roads connect with various points on the Kansas Pacific and Central Branch of the Union Pacific from Central Kansas to the western border and extend in all directions."

## Removal of James Lick's Remains.

SAN JOSE, Jan. 8.—The remains of the late James Lick were received in this city this afternoon, en route to their last resting place at the Observatory, at Mount Hamilton. Our citizens have been requested to assemble at the Southern Pacific Railroad depot at 10:30 o'clock and escort the remains to the city limits. During this time the fire bells will be tolled.

## Tried to Burn Up Her Husband.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 8.—Fire occurred at Tenth and Main streets this morning, destroying a dwelling. The occupants, husband and wife, quarreled last evening, and the wife left home. The husband says he thinks his wife set fire to the place in an endeavor to burn him up. The matter will be investigated by the police.

## SAN FRANCISCO.

## Another Mysterious Tragedy in Golden Gate Park—Notes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—[By the Western Associated Press.] A boy while strolling through Golden Gate Park this afternoon came across the body of a young woman about 50 feet from the terminus of the Geary-street cable road. Her face was badly scratched and disfigured, and a few feet away was a small revolver with one chamber discharged. The body was clothed with neat apparel, and was that of a woman about 25 years of age.

LATER.—Investigation tends to the belief that the woman whose body was found near the park this afternoon committed suicide by taking poison, and that the bruised condition of her face was caused by her convulsions after she had fallen to the ground. A small bottle was found by her side, with a yellowish liquid, that was judged to be prussic acid, or cyanide of potassium, both violent poisons. An autopsy will be made tomorrow. No bullet wound was found on her person. The pistol had no appearance of having been recently discharged.

## CHARGES DISMISSED.

The charge of manslaughter against W. R. Wing and T. B. Warren, owner and captain respectively of the lost Atlantic, was dismissed this morning by the prosecuting attorney, stating that he had no case against them.

## NEALON GETS THE OFFICE.

The recount in the contest for the assessor's office ended today, resulting in favor of Nealon. Siebe, the contestant, gained 78 votes in all, reducing Nealon's plurality to 138.

## A BRIGHT OUTLOOK.

Large Crops Predicted Notwithstanding the Light Rainfall.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—[By the Western Associated Press.] The rainfall for the season to the present time in all parts of California is far below the average. The deficiency in the general average is from two to three inches. The rainfall for the whole season has been about five inches below the average in the Sacramento valley, four inches below the average in the Santa Clara valley, and three inches in the San Joaquin valley. The thermometer has been above the December average from 3° to 5°, increasing from north to south. Despite this deficiency in the rainfall, the ground men say that their reports indicate that the crops are looking better now than they did at this time last year, and consequently a yield fully as large, or larger, than last year, is confidently predicted. The rains have been light, but gentle and gradual, and, therefore, they have had their full effect in moistening the soil. In many portions of the State there is also from 15 to 25 percent more land under cultivation this year than last. The only farmers who are alarmed are those who depend upon irrigation in order to fill up the reservoirs and ditches it is necessary to have a down-pour of rain such as we have not yet had this season.

## The Republic Disaster.

TIFFIN (O.), Jan. 8.—The Coroner's inquest into the causes and consequences of the Baltimore and Ohio wreck near Republic Station last Tuesday, convened this morning. The principal witness up to noon was Jesse M. Spooner, of Republic, O., one of the first outsiders at the scene. He testified that but little was done to aid any body in the sinking car, and that he saw several bodies were burned entirely up besides the ten taken out of the ruins.

## Tried and Acquitted.

SALT LAKE, Jan. 8.—The noted case against Deputy Marshal William Thompson came to a close last evening in the Second District Court at Beaver. Last month Thompson shot E. M. Dalton, a Mormon under indictment for unlawful cohabitation with Dalton's wife, who was trying to escape. Thompson was indicted for manslaughter, but the jury brought in a verdict of acquittal.

## To be Dissolved.

VICTORIA (B. C.) Jan. 8.—The Colonist publishes an Ottawa telegram stating that the Dominion House of Commons will be dissolved immediately, and that elections will take place on the 9th of February.

## PERSONAL NEWS.

Ralph Rogers, the indefatigable, has gone to San Francisco on business. Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Van Nuys took the train for San Francisco yesterday. Herbert Tenney, one of the proprietors of the Tucson Citizen, is at the Depot Hotel. J. W. McLeod, a well-known citizen of Riverside, held forth at the St. Elmo yesterday.

M. H. Sherman, ex-Superintendent of Public Instruction of Arizona Territory, is at the Depot Hotel.

J. H. Kirkpatrick, a breeder of fine sheep at Arica, N. Y., is in town, registered at the St. Elmo.

S. H. Stanley, and J. W. Keefe, wealthy citizens of Kansas City, were at the St. Elmo yesterday.

Mrs. Harrell will give a reception at her residence, corner of Sixth and Figueroa streets, on Thursday evening next.

Fred Silent, son of Judge Silent, left for San Francisco yesterday, where he will take a course of study in a commercial college.

Mrs. Mary Banning left yesterday for Field's Seminary in Oakland, to resume her studies, having spent the holidays at her home in this city.

John Kerns, for two years manager of the telephone office in Stockton, has come down to take the management of the Los Angeles office. He will commence his duties at once.

H. A. Harbaugh, who was, for two years connected with the Kansas City Times, has assumed the position of news editor on this paper. He comes with the highest commendation and best wishes of the craft, and will prove an acquisition to the Los Angeles press typographical.

Mrs. B. F. Porter, accompanied by Miss May and Miss Sadie Porter, left yesterday to take up their home permanently in San Francisco. Miss May will resume her studies at Van Ness Seminary in San Francisco, and Miss Sadie will begin a course of vocal culture under Prof. Campobello.

## Commissioner Wetmore Resigns.

LIVERMORE, Jan. 8.—Charles A. Wetmore, of Livermore Valley, tendered his resignation today as chief executive officer of the State Agricultural Commission, to take effect as soon as the Commission can be called together.

## Northern Citrus Belt Weather.

FIENSO, Jan. 8.—This morning was the coldest of the winter, the thermometer falling to 26°.

MERCED, Jan. 8.—Ice formed here this morning one-quarter of an inch thick.

## Ignorant as Usual.

"THE TIMES" in its daily bulletin about the sale of seats for the Patti concert, invariably tacks on the line "with San Diego to head from." What in thunder is San Diego to do with this concert? What's the matter with Monrovia and El Monte? [Express.]

If the able evening freight were posted, it would know "what in thunder San Diego has to do with this concert." Seats are being sold in San Diego by Clark for the Patti concert, and a special train will be run from San Diego here, returning after the close of the performance.

## DIED FOR DUTY.

## Five Life-Saving Service Men Drowned.

While Attempting to Save the Crew of a Stranded Ship.

## The Lifeboats Go Down in the Raging Sea on Their Return Trip.

All of the Vessel's Crew Perish with Their Wives and Babies, Making Over a Score of Lives Lost in the Awful Catastrophe.

By Telegram to The Times.

NORFOLK (Va.), Jan. 8.—[By the Western Associated Press.] One of the most disastrous shipwrecks which ever occurred on the Virginia coast happened at 3 o'clock this morning, near the Little Island life-saving station, 14 miles from Cape Henry. Not less than 30, and possibly more, lives were lost, among them five life-saving men, who, in the discharge of their duty, were drowned. The morning was bitterly cold and blinding snowstorms prevailed, with the wind blowing a gale from the north-west. During a lull in the storm the life-saving patrol from Little Island life-saving station sighted a large ship stranded on the bar, about 900 yards from the shore. When he saw the vessel he was going to meet the patrol from the Dam Neck station and exchange a check showing that both patrolmen had been to the end of their beats. The Dam Neck patrol was only a few yards distant when the vessel was sighted, and both fired rockets to notify the crew of the stranded ship that she had been seen. They then hurried back to their respective stations and gave the alarm. In a line while crews with lifeboats and apparatus were abreast of the wreck, and the

BOOM OF A MORTAR announced that a line had been shot over to the ill-fated vessel. It was unsuccessful, and another shot was fired with like result. After firing six unsuccessful shots the life-saving men determined to brave the furies of the sea and death which seemed certain to await their venture. The word of command being given by Capt. Belanza, of the life-saving station No. 4, known as Little Island, six of the most expert boatmen manned each boat and at his command gave way with a will and in a moment both boats were breasting the furies of the waves. They reached the ship in safety and four of the ship's crew were taken in the lifeboats and 10 in the ship's boats, which were headed for the shore and not a word was spoken, for each man realized the awful peril which surrounded them. With a steady pull the boats were making good headway for the shore, when a wave of great power struck the boats,

CAZZANO, STAYING INSTANTLY and plunging three occupants into the boiling sea. Then began a desperate struggle for life, and with many of the men it was a prolonged one. The horrified life-savers on the beach were powerless to assist their drowning comrades or the unfortunate strangers. The drowning men were carried southward by the sea, and some of them were washed ashore. As they came within reach they were picked up and endeavors were made to revive them and in two instances with success, although one of the two is badly injured. The vessel is the German ship Elizabeth, Capt. Halberstadt, from Hamburg to Baltimore, and not one of her crew survives. Her cargo is unknown, as high seas have far prevented any attempt to reach her. It is thought that she is leaking badly, and at sunset her mast was thought to be giving way.

## BRIEFS.

A portion of the City Hole has been rented for a candy kitchen.

The George W. Elder sailed north today, and the Santa Rosa south tomorrow.

The case of John Elchegoyen, for battery, was dismissed in Justice Taney's court, yesterday.

Justice Taney yesterday sentenced three vagrants to sentences varying from 10 to 30 days.

The Homeopathic Medical Society meets Tuesday evening at the office of Dr. Lummis, 247 Fort street.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to R. E. Beswick and E. Nimmo and Fred Walker and E. E. Curtis.

It is expected that the Pico-street Electric Road will begin to run on schedule time tomorrow. It is in excellent condition.

The Police Commissioners were to have met at 8 last night, but Mayor Workman did not come over, and there was no meeting.

Filed in the Recorder's office yesterday: 103 deeds, 24 mortgages, 12 satisfactions, 2 mortgage licenses and 24 miscellaneous papers.

M. Reyes was thrown from his buggy on Main street at 4:30 yesterday afternoon, a runaway colliding with his rig. He was not hurt.

A sale of business property is almost consummated at the rate of \$1333.33 per front foot, which is the highest price yet paid in Los Angeles.

It was again stated last night, on excellent authority, that the San Gabriel Valley road has been sold to the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe.

There is in the pound, a sorrel horse with three white feet and a white face. The horse was caught on Jefferson street by Officer Deekman.

A resident on Temple street was severely shaken up yesterday afternoon by being spilled by his runaway horse on Temple street, just west of New High.

The plant for the new water gas company is well in hand, and will be shipped to this city as soon as possible. The company expects to be making gas by April.

Parties who may have covert designs on the patents of the Bell Telephone Company, are warned of the slippery ground they stand on by a notice which appears in THE TIMES today.

The United States Circuit Court, Judge Sawyer presiding, will meet tomorrow at 2 p.m., in courtroom formerly occupied by the State Supreme Court, over the Farmers and Merchants' Bank.

A fellow named G. T. Hanley's coffee and spice mill, Friday night, and stole his valise of samples. Thief and valise were captured by Officer Reel, yesterday, in the Beaudry Grove. The thief gives the name of

The Supervisors yesterday morning paid an official visit to the County Jail, where they found 102 prisoners well cared for. Margarita Granillo, the murderer of Andres Martinez, was the only woman in the number.

A dark iron saddle-horse has been stolen from Pierce Bros. It has a splint on the right front leg. The supposed thief is a thick-set, dark-complexioned man, about 6 feet 9 inches in height, weighing about 140 pounds.

There are undelivered telegrams at the Western Union telegraph office for David Barmore, L. S. Ayers, Wm. Ruddy, Harry A. Clark, O. H. Churchill, Charles Lewis, Col. T. A. Brown (Theater), T. C. Frank, Mrs. L. A. Tameroy, Mrs. H. B. Merrill, John Bronson Forbes, Louis Harkey and John T. Rountree.

## BUSINESS TOPICS.

Hobbs and horse-blankets at Fog's saddlery. Don't forget to investigate the Victor Heights tract.

Buy Victor Heights lots; they are near the Ostrich Farm car line.

## Notary Public.

W. R. Burke, Notary Public, 55 North Spring street.

Notary public and commissioner for New York and Arizona Territory. G. A. Dobinson, 42 North Spring st.

## Get a Map.

Call at 108 West First street, Nadeau block, and get a map of the Victor Heights tract.

## Nearly One-Half Sold!

The Jefferson-street tract by the Southern California Land Company, (Baker block).

## Nothing Equals It.

At not even double the price. The Jefferson street-tract at \$200 per lot exceeds them all.

## Today! Today!

Carriages at 9:30 and 1:30 o'clock to the Jefferson-street tract, from the Southern California Land Company, Baker block.

## Victor Heights.

They are now checking for the Ostrich Farm car line. This line passes near the Victor Heights lots. Buy before they take an advance.

## Today! Today!

Carriages at 9:30 and 1:30 o'clock to the Jefferson-street tract, from the Southern California Land Company, Baker block.

## See Victor Heights.

If you want large lots on broad streets, with pure air and fresh water, at reasonable prices and easy terms, buy in the Victor Heights tract, only 10 minutes' walk from postoffice.

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The Jefferson-street tract by the Southern California Land Company, (Baker block).

## Today! Today!

Carriages at 9:30 and 1:30 o'clock to the Jefferson-street tract, from the Southern California Land Company, Baker block.

## No "Boom" Prices.

The Jefferson-street tract at \$200! One hundred and two splendidly-improved lots and seven large and handsome residences. Monthly installments. Southern California Land Company, Baker block.

## The New Cable Road.

It is now an assured fact that the new Cable road on Vermont avenue will be built. This is within three minutes of the Jefferson-street tract, on sale by the Southern California Land Company, Baker block.

Today! Today!—How to See the Jefferson-street Tract.

Take the Main-street car at Temple block and leave at corner of Jefferson and Figueroa streets. The carriages of the Southern California Land Company will be there from 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. to convey you to the tract down Jefferson street.

Circus, Menagerie and Zoological Garden. David V. Waldron has leased the Washington Garden to Fox & Curson, who will open the garden in elegant style. John C. Bell, the auctioneer, will sell the entire contents of the elegant furniture of the Home Pavilion, carriages, buggies, horses in spans, Echo colts, and everything on the grounds, to make room for a large and choice collection of wild animals, now overdue from South Africa.

## To the Public.

Having read in two of our daily papers of my having sold morphine to A. J. Jones, etc., etc., I will state that if said Jones did buy the drug from any of my clerks (which I don't think he can prove) the opium fiend should have been made to eat it all at once before leaving the store. I regret that I violated any law, there has been none violated and the fiend, if possible, will be prosecuted for his heinous and villainous crime. If the said fiend will wait till I am in my store, and buy morphine from me and make himself known, I will guarantee him that he will eat it before he leaves the premises. H. C. Guirado.

## Nearly One-Half Sold!

The Jefferson-street tract by the Southern California Land Company, (Baker block).

## See the B. R. Cart.

J. F. Davis & Son, 101, 103 N. Los Angeles street.

Blackman & Hanly, room 15, Downey block, offer some very choice lots on Boyle Heights cheap. Call early before they are all sold.

Elsie Reynolds holds religious services and spirit materialization on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday evenings, 335 S. Spring street.

The best and most central location on which to build a lodging-house is offered at a bargain by More, Snyder & Naramore, 108 West First street.

Mr. J. H. Thompson raised on the tract now known as Gardena about 12,000 sacks of grain this year.

Special bargains on lots on Second street cable road, close to engine-house, from \$250 to \$500, by More, Snyder & Naramore, 108 West First street.

For Fine Candles, Jellies, Marmalades, Jams, Etc., Go to the store of the Barnard & Benedict Fruit Crystallizing Company, 46 South Spring street, near Second.

Housekeepers, Attention! The largest stock of cooking ranges and stoves at bottom prices by Julius L. Viereck, 211 North Los Angeles street.

## It is a Fact.

The best chance for a bargain in business property is a lot on Fort street between First and Courthouse, 50 feet front, in the hands of More, Snyder & Naramore, 108 West First street.

## Removal.

Albee & Willard have removed their office from 110 South Spring street, to 364 North Spring street, where they will be pleased to have their friends and parties dealing fine lots, tracts or acre property, call on them.

## Geo. W. Van Vorst.

Wishes to announce that he has purchased the grocery business of G. F. Potter, corner of Fourth and Spring streets, where he will be pleased to see his friends and patrons, always having on hand the best Point Reyes butter and very best family groceries.

GHIBRARDI's prepared cocoa, most excellent substitute for tea and coffee.

## Real Estate.

SPECIAL BARGAINS.

4-room cottage, 719 Flower street, between Eighth and Ninth, west side, finely improved; lot 5x135, partly furnished, \$4200.

3 lots on Bellevue avenue, near Montreal, north side, 5x150; \$1250 each.

2 lots on Bellevue, adjoining above, 4x102; \$800 each.

2 lots on Montreal, No. 1 and 4, block 5, 4x111, on top of hill, fine view; both \$2300.

Lot on corner of Hill and Charity, 6x131; both \$2300.

Lot 4, block 3, on Yarnell street, near Temple, 5x130, west side, \$225.

Lot 12, block 10, Cambria street, Fairmount tract, 8x7.

All the lots are much cheaper than other lots of same size and kind.

Discount will be made for all cash payment. Call or address the owner.

JOHN N. GRIFFIN,

719 Flower street.

FOR SALE.

WASHINGTON NAVEL ORANGE TREES,

CUTBERRY RASPBERRY ROOTS,

KITTATINY BLACKBERRY ROOTS,

By E. POLLARD,

Alhambra, San Gabriel.

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA Land Company,

244 North Main Street, BAKER BLOCK.

## THE SOLE PROJECTORS OF THE

Successful Childs Tract, Urmoston Tract, City Center Tract, Williamson Tract, Howes Tract, Eleventh-street Block, etc.

## The JEFFERSON-STREET Tract,

located in the southwest quarter of the city, amidst the wonderful improvements now going forward and near the new Vermont-avenue cable road.

One hundred and two lots at \$290 each; size of lots, 50x135 ft.; first payment, \$30; monthly payments, \$20, without interest. Seven splendid residences now being erected, the contract given to the Oregon Lumber

and the buildings in course of construction. All the streets to be graded.

Lots one-half the price of the present boom. Location on the southwest corner of Jefferson street and Western

avenue. Only 102 lots.

Seven elegant residences, costing from \$1100 to \$2000, go with the property, the whole being sold on the home-stand plan, the same as all the tracts which this company has successfully

placed before the public, and which are above named.

Division of the tract MAY 14, 1887. The books are now open from 9 o'clock a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

## SAN DIEGO COUNTY

## BUREAU OF INFORMATION.

This bureau, or agency, has been established by citizens of San Diego county to give correct information about a region the fairest and best in the land. Call at the San Diego county agency and obtain literature free and the plain facts about 14,969 square miles of territory, including the Queen of the Pacific—San Diego city. Bay, climate and the grand back country are important factors to those coming from the East. Come in and be at home.

D. GILBERT DEXTER, Manager.



## OUR NEIGHBORS.

## Pasadena.

**PARADENA, Jan. 3.**—[Correspondence of THE TIMES.] Some of our young sports are indulging in the luxury of a wildcat hunt today. They started at the Garvanza bridge and worked along the Upper Arroyo. It has not been many years since the San Rafael hills was the most famous hunting-grounds in Los Angeles county.

A bowling-alley is to be immediately constructed at the Raymond, under the hotel management.

Vice-President Smith, of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé, with a pleasure party of ladies and gentlemen, passed over the Los Angeles and San Gabriel Valley to-day, in a special car, and took dinner at the Raymond.

The plans for the Congregational Church were drawn by C. H. Brown, of Los Angeles, and have been accepted.

## LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

[This is the TIMES-MIRROR'S Public Forum. Those who would stand thereon must first give the Editor their real names and be responsible for their opinions and statements. Cultivate brevity, clearness of style and timeliness; write plainly and on live topics, and use one side of the sheet only.]

## FRAUDS EXPOSED.

**SAN DIEGO, Jan. 7.**—[To the Editor of THE TIMES.] About two weeks ago two women hailing from Los Angeles, and giving their names as Emerson and Robbins, arrived here for the express purpose (so they said) of exposing mediums here. About a week ago they held a seance for materialization themselves, and were exposed the first evening at the residence of Mr. Campian, editor of the San Diego Star. Mr. Campian openly charged them with fraud and obtaining money under false pretenses. Mrs. Robbins is the woman who recently smashed all her husband's furniture in Los Angeles, and he received a divorce from her at once.

The woman Emerson is simply living on the town here, and we are informed that she kept "open house" in Los Angeles.

GERALD HORTON, Horton House.

## A CORRECTION.

**COMPTON, Jan. 7.**—[To the Editor of THE TIMES.] We wish to correct a mistake of the Downey Review. The editor of the Downey Review is sadly mistaken when he says the Artesia Club has never suffered defeat yet. If we are not very much mistaken they suffered defeat at Compton on the 25th of November, 1886, to the tune of 16 to 7, by the P. B. B. C. Yours truly, F. A. WATKINS, Secretary B. B. C.

## A Card.

I take pleasure in announcing to the public that my stock of drugs is complete in all its branches, and that my prescription department is in the hands of pharmacists second to none in the State.

Mr. William C. Skinner, formerly of Bangor, Me., and lately with Ellis & Co., has taken a place in my store, and Mr. Frank A. Fettes, formerly a prominent pharmacist of Topeka, Kan., still retains the position he has held with me for the past year.

Competency, neatness and total abstinence from all that debauches are the indispensable qualifications for admission behind my counter.

Night calls promptly answered. Your patronage is appreciated and confidence will be merited. Call and see us. J. W. Davis, No. 19 South Spring street.

## A Grand Excursion Party.

The second of the delectable popular excursion parties managed by the Los Angeles and Santa Ana Land Bureau will go from Los Angeles to Santa Ana on Wednesday, January 12, 1887, by special train. A band of music will accompany the excursion. Free fruit, dinner, carriage rides, etc., will be furnished excursionists. At Santa Ana 91 choice lots in the Hawkins tract will be sold at a bona fide credit auction sale. Santa Ana is the chief town of the marvelous Santa Ana Valley, and is rapidly growing. Money is bound to be made by investing there. Take advantage of this opportunity. Round trip tickets, \$1.75. For tickets and information apply at Los Angeles and Santa Ana Land Bureau, 115 South Spring street, Los Angeles.

**Eastern Prices Have Come to Stay**  
At McDonnell's Drug Store, 271 N. Main st. The enormous profits once realized by the drug trade are a thing of the past. We sell our goods at wholesale Eastern prices. For instance, we will sell you one pound best gum camphor for 25c, regular price 60c; Colgate's Cashmere Boyer soap, 25c per cake, regular price 35c; Hoyt's German Cologne, 15c, regular price 25c; Warner's Kidney and Liver Cure, 81 per bottle, regular price \$1.25, and all other goods at Eastern prices. Prescriptions compounded at the new schedule of prices. Remember, McDONNELL, the Druggist, Rose block.

## A Glorious Opportunity.

The special hotel car "Gleneyre" will start on return trip to Boston, via Chicago, Monday, January 17, 1887. This elegant car has accommodations for 18 persons. Parties contemplating a trip East would do well to take advantage of this rare chance. For further particulars regarding routes, etc., apply to C. F. Parsons, ticket agent, Santa Fé route, 230 North Main st., or C. C. Harding, at the Raymond Hotel, South Pasadena.

**Mrs. Dr. Wells, Woman Specialist.**  
The first lady licentiate of Kentucky, many years of successful practice in gynecology, uterine, leucorrhoea, ovarian diseases, etc., regularity—relief and radical change felt from the first treatment. No. 341 S. Spring st.

**A Gift—opened Investment.**  
This proposition open till Monday only for any one or more persons desiring to purchase an interest in a first-class tract of land near to city. Please call for further particulars at James P. McCarthy's, 23 West First street.

## Save Your Money.

I can sell you a better cook stove for the money than any house in Los Angeles. Call and be convinced. Julius L. Viereck, 211 N. Los Angeles street.

## Educational.

**FAIRBANKS MUSICAL STUDIO, 13**  
W. First st. Sig. Fairbank respectfully announces his Fall term of vocal instruction; reception hour from 2-4 on one week; specialty, opera and concert stage; also oratorio and church.

**LOS ANGELES CONSERVATORY OF**  
Music, 40 E. Main st., near Fifth. Every advantage for a complete musical education; instruction in all languages by superior teachers. MRS. E. J. VALENTINE, President.

**COMMERCIAL NIGHT SCHOOL.**  
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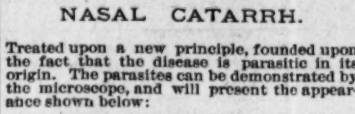
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Los Angeles, June 13, 1886.—Dr. W. N. Davis: Dear Sir: I was troubled with a bad form of catarrh of the nose and throat for about two years, and I am thankful to say that your treatment has entirely cured me in a few weeks (eight weeks ago), and I feel as if I were a new man, causing indigestion, which was relieved at once. I have gained 10 pounds since I began your treatment, and feel better than I did for a year.

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Los Angeles, Dec. 30, 1886.—Dr. W. N. Davis: I was troubled with most catarrh of the nose and throat for about two and a half years, there always being a disagreeable feeling above the soft palate, and a disposition to clear the throat. Your treatment entirely cured me in one month.

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## BUSINESS.

**OFFICE OF THE TIMES.**  
LOS ANGELES, Saturday, Jan. 8.  
At the Produce Exchange to-day Feed Barley was quoted higher. The rest of the list was without change.

he weekly circular of A. Lusk & Co., of San Francisco, under date January 5th, has the following on the market for Citrus Fruits in that city:

"The arrivals of Oranges during the past week have not been nearly as large as during the week previous. There is a good demand for clean, bright fruit at good prices, but poor fruit is slow of sale. Competition from Mexican fruit is not so lively as it was, neither has the demand in the Northern California Citrus Belt commenced to cut any figure; so we hope our friends in the Southern Belt will not entirely give up this village as a market for their produce, and the Lemons remain about the same. Good California fruit well packed commands good prices and is in fair demand; poor fruit is hard to sell. The low price of foreign fruit naturally has a decided effect in keeping down the price of the California article. We quote to-day: Los Angeles Seedlings, \$1.00; Riverside Seedlings, \$2.75; Mediterranean Sweet, \$2.00; Lemons, Bright, \$2.00; Lemons, Bright, selected and wrapped, \$2.50; Lemons, Ordinary, \$1.75. A leading Liverpool grain circular has the following on the English Wheat market: "Wheat has been rather quiet. This was naturally expected after the recent advance. English Wheat is in small supply in the interior markets. Prices are again 1/2c. downer. There are no cargoes off coast. A few sales for shipment were made at the late rates."

## Stocks and Bonds.

**By Telegraph to The Times.**  
NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Government bonds were dull, but firm.  
Money on call easy at 3 to 6 per cent, closing at 5 per cent.  
Prime mercantile paper: 6 to 7.  
Sterling exchange: London, 4.80; for 60 days and 4 1/2 for demand.  
The stock market was unusually quiet, there being very little desire to trade. The opening was about steady, the changes from last evening's figures being for insignificant fractions only. Trading was very dull, except for coal stocks and Richmond and West Point. Consolidated gas was remarkably strong, and the remainder followed slowly. The market became dull before the end of the first hour, and generally heavy until the expiration of the hour. Dealers and Evansville and consolidated gas. There was some improvement in the general list after noon, but later the advance was lost, Kansas and Texas becoming extremely weak. Prices moved both ways in the last hour, the market finally closing heavy to weak close to the opening figures.

## NEW YORK STOCKS.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.  
100 per cent. .... 100  
4 1/2 per cent. .... 100  
Central Pacific .... 41 1/2  
Chicago & North Western .... 41 1/2  
Erie .... 38 1/2  
Kans. & Tex. Pac. .... 38 1/2  
Northern Pacific .... 38 1/2  
N. P. preferred .... 38 1/2  
Rock Island .... 38 1/2  
St. Paul & Northern P. .... 38 1/2  
Union Pacific .... 38 1/2  
Western Union .... 38 1/2  
Assessment paid.

## SAN FRANCISCO STOCKS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.  
Best & Belcher .... 12 1/2  
Chollar .... 12 1/2  
Crocker .... 12 1/2  
Cons. Virginia .... 25  
Erie .... 38 1/2  
Kans. & Tex. Pac. .... 38 1/2  
Northern Pacific .... 38 1/2  
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St. Paul & Northern P. .... 38 1/2  
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## The Grain Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 8.—Wheat: Quiet; shipping, 15 1/2c; top. Barley: Dull; feed, 11 1/2c; 1 1/2c; brewing, 11 1/2c; 2 1/2c; corn: Dull; California, large yellow, 11 1/2c; small, 11 1/2c; white, 11 1/2c; 1 1/2c; 2 1/2c; 3 1/2c; 4 1/2c; 5 1/2c; 6 1/2c; 7 1/2c; 8 1/2c; 9 1/2c; 10 1/2c; 11 1/2c; 12 1/2c; 13 1/2c; 14 1/2c; 15 1/2c; 16 1/2c; 17 1/2c; 18 1/2c; 19 1/2c; 20 1/2c; 21 1/2c; 22 1/2c; 23 1/2c; 24 1/2c; 25 1/2c; 26 1/2c; 27 1/2c; 28 1/2c; 29 1/2c; 30 1/2c; 31 1/2c; 32 1/2c; 33 1/2c; 34 1/2c; 35 1/2c; 36 1/2c; 37 1/2c; 38 1/2c; 39 1/2c; 40 1/2c; 41 1/2c; 42 1/2c; 43 1/2c; 44 1/2c; 45 1/2c; 46 1/2c; 47 1/2c; 48 1/2c; 49 1/2c; 50 1/2c; 51 1/2c; 52 1/2c; 53 1/2c; 54 1/2c; 55 1/2c; 56 1/2c; 57 1/2c; 58 1/2c; 59 1/2c; 60 1/2c; 61 1/2c; 62 1/2c; 63 1/2c; 64 1/2c; 65 1/2c; 66 1/2c; 67 1/2c; 68 1/2c; 69 1/2c; 70 1/2c; 71 1/2c; 72 1/2c; 73 1/2c; 74 1/2c; 75 1/2c; 76 1/2c; 77 1/2c; 78 1/2c; 79 1/2c; 80 1/2c; 81 1/2c; 82 1/2c; 83 1/2c; 84 1/2c; 85 1/2c; 86 1/2c; 87 1/2c; 88 1/2c; 89 1/2c; 90 1/2c; 91 1/2c; 92 1/2c; 93 1/2c; 94 1/2c; 95 1/2c; 96 1/2c; 97 1/2c; 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## GESTURES, AS CONSIDERED FROM A MEXICAN STANDPOINT.

Actions Which Speak Louder Than Words Beyond the Border—How Senor, Senora and Senorita Say "Ah, There!" "Stay There!"

On the platform of a south-bound train on the Mexican Central Railway sat a young American lady who had lived some years in Mexico; on intimate terms with the people, whose language and customs she knew perfectly well. She was flanked on either side by a Maryland lawyer and railroad magnate of practical and humanitarian ideas, and by a young exquisite, from Philadelphia, wearing of the discomfort of an affair of the heart, of unsatisfactory issue, by the time-honored resource of a trip around the world. Beguiling the tedium of the trip for their fellow-passenger and for themselves, the gentlemen improved the opportunity to learn of the features of the country from an unprejudiced observer. When the train steamed slowly out of a small station near Ensenamacion it was followed by a crowd of archbishops of the peon class, trying to catch on the platform steps for a ride to the siding, and one of them stubbed his toe against a sleeper, and sprawled on the track. The American girl lifted her hand in a quick gesture, and called to him something, at which his mate shouted with laughter. "Now, what did you say to him?" demanded Miss Blank's companion, aggrieved at entertainment on her part in which they had no share. "Oh," she said, looking a little ashamed of herself, "it was a bit of Spanish 'vaya,' equivalent to 'Come here and I will pick you up.' I suppose they were amused at my using the gesture of summons while he lay there, holding up his head like a turtle to look after us. The Marylander took his note-book. 'A gesticulatory race, this. I have been wishing to have their signs explained—perplexing to a stranger, very. Now, Miss Blank, will you mind making that sign of summons?' The young woman held up her hand vertically, palm outward, almost on a level with her face, and beckoned rapidly, moving only her fingers, which were directed away from herself. "Almost the opposite of our signal, you see, as we wave the hand toward ourselves. Is it not odd how these things vary according to the section? Now, in Italy, for instance, tossing up the chin—she suited the action to the word—'implies an emphatic and sometimes a derisive 'No,' while here in Mexico it means, 'What do you say?' 'What do you mean?' 'What do you want?' whereas the negative reply is expressed with decision by waving the forefinger laterally before one. If foreigners would only learn that expressive response, it would do much to relieve them of the importunities of beggars and street vendors. Verbum sap." "And what does this mean?" said the young Philadelphia in a very knowing, complacent look, as he shrugged his shoulders, not ungraciously. "Ah, but you do not do it right—and yet the shrug of the country would suit admirably your present type of question, if you readily pass for a Mexican of aristocratic rank—pardon the personality. A fair person never shrugs so flimsily as a brute. Your shrug was in the French fashion; this is the Mexican way." She hunched her shoulders without exaggeration, and stretched her arms down at her sides, hands open and palms out, with the facial expression of a child, and mouth drawn down at the corners. "That is the usual thing. You will see an excessive contortion only in ranches and small interior towns—where the vineyards always run to extremes, you know. The meaning of the shrug?"—to the inquiring Marylander—"Oh! doubt, uncertainty, difference of opinion—a sort, also, of 'I told you so,' being the only way in which this polite and tactful race would allow themselves to express that twist of triumph. The shrug is about as elastic of significance as golden eggs, and all the world knows what that means and how much it refuses to express." "Could you not illustrate such other gestures as occur to you?" pursued the seeker after information. "Well, I will try," said the complaisant young woman; "most people are willing to tell what they know. Let me see—where we would refer to money by tapping a pocket, Mexicans hold up the thumb and forefinger, curved as if encircling a coin. Then the token of corporal punishment is a slight lateral, horizontal movement of the hand, much in the turn it takes in the act of beating eggs with a fork. 'The phrase,' a screw face, is illustrated by a boring motion of the index finger against the temple, but indicating not an aberration of the mind, as with us, but of the temper. When a Mexican wishes to denote a lot of people he brings together the tips of all the fingers of one hand, to represent crowding. The first time I ever saw this gesture," she held her hand up vertically, and thrust it forward, "was on three times with a repellent or protesting motion—'was at a party, where a lady who had held another's fan during a dance, offered to return it, when the owner, seeing that her friend was using the little implement of challenge, insisted that she retain it. Not a word was spoken—the hand said it all. The same gesture is used to imply 'Keep your nose out of this,' or 'Don't meddle and like.' There is a sign of greeting used in the City of Mexico and the southern part of the republic that I have never seen in the north nor on the western slope, where the bow still rules. At the capital an acquaintance, whether gentleman or lady, in saluting one of either sex, lifts the open hand, palm toward one's self, and waves the fingers, or often only the middle ones. It rather startles foreigners at first, but it is really a very pretty and graceful mode of greeting. I have observed that it is most used when saluting from a little distance, as across a street, and it, no doubt, came into use because of the density of traffic, in which the bow might pass unperceived." "Mexicans are much given to handshaking," remarked the Marylander. "Miss Blank beamed encouragement upon him, this being his first speech since her ruthless destruction of his complacency in the shrug she pronounced defective. Not that he had asked. He had listened with admiration to the disquisition, but he had not ventured to comment. "Yes; they are eminently a friendly and cordial race. It is the fashion among Americans to call their politeness superficial and insincere. I have not found it so, but I do admit that its formality is at times a little inconvenient. For instance, when one is in haste to catch a train or meet an appointment, one cannot rush away with a hasty 'So long!' It would violate the conventionalities to depart without exchanging the customary elaborate farewells with each individual member of the circle. Then, in passing through a door, there is almost invariably a contest of courtesy as to who shall go first. I was no little amused and still more vexed, the other day, by an American insisted that I was precautionary rather than courteous, arising from an old-time fear of a treacherous stab in the back. Of course, it was a smart speech, but about as unfair as most of the judgments pronounced upon this polite and long-suffering race by countrymen of ours whose knowledge of them is but superficial and very prejudiced. In such cases I usually cut the knot of delay by acceding to the insistence that I take precedence, quoting Leicester's pretty speech of deferential obedience when he passed before his queen. That bit of stately humility is thoroughly in consonance with the Mexican character. The proper demonstration of farewell between Mexican women is the light embrace, emphasized in the north by each patting with her right hand the other's shoulder; in the City of Mexico and thereabouts, by a kiss on either cheek. Between women and men a bow and a handshake, or the bow alone, is the proper thing, although

in the interior the provincials employ, at meeting and parting, a modified form of the embrace between persons of the opposite sex as well as of the same sex. More than once my breath has been taken away by a handsome young *hacendado* meeting me literally with open arms. To my mind there is nothing prettier than this embrace, and the warm-hearted *padrinos*, or godfathers, on the back, between two men who are friends, particularly between an old man and a young one. A Mexican custom which is extremely pleasant and convenient to us women folk is their way of leading a lady up and down stairs, and American men would do not only a courteous but a humane thing in imitating them in this respect. More than once, when sightseeing in company with countrymen of mine, I have fully appreciated the looks of astonishment and disapproval which Mexicans, perhaps even the guides, cast at them, as they stalked ahead of me in the barbarous fashion decreed in the days of huge and tilting crinolines, while I toiled wearily behind them. In descending stairs, the Mexican goes a step before his companion, and taking her hand, holds it up in such a way that any misstep or failure on her part would be sustained by him. I think the most courtly illustration of gallant attention I ever saw was the way in which Gen. Ramon Corona led his American wife down the broad, stone staircase of the house my family occupied at Durango, when I was a child. I then and there resolved that when it came my time to descend this staircase, I would subject him to that test of grace. Ah, me! it was the romance of the swan's nest over again! In ascending, the lady takes her escort's arm, and is thus assisted by him. I have often had an utter stranger, seeing me about to mount stairs alone, step forward and offer me his arm. Accept it? Certainly. Why should one be brutal enough to reject a courteous offer? I would not faith and kindness? Arrived at the top, the man would tap at the door I was to enter, reply to my thanks that he was happy to have been of even such trifling service, and with I am at your feet, scolded, how himself away. If ever I met him again I might bow or not, as I saw fit. For decent civility's sake I usually do recognize such parties as a courtesy, and in spite of the fact that men have for obtrusive gallantries, I never found them presume at all on my salutation. "I think," said the Marylander, when a sufficient time had elapsed to take from the speech the semblance of irrelevancy, "that I have correctly defined the use of handclapping. It is a summons, is it not, as in the Oriental countries?" "Yes," said Miss Blank, "and of Oriental origin, no doubt, the Mexicans receiving it from the Moors, through the Spaniards, as they have received so many of their customs and traits. It is recognized as a call all over the republic, although about the national capital it has been pretty well supplanted by a peculiar, disagreeable sound, *pat-pat*, which always sets my teeth on edge. I believe this about the only gesture of general usage; of course, there are infinitely numerous signs of special and arbitrary significance. The Mexicans, as a rule, are adepts at expression by the face. As we have already touched on motions and manners, I never found them to be classed as gestures, we might strain a point and put in the general list the performance which, from its undue restraint and motonery, is known as *haciendo el oso*, or 'playing the bear,' and which means the fixed promenade of an enamored youth over a short time before or behind the object of his adored object, in which he spends as many hours a day as his leisure will permit." "Now, that reminds me," said the insatiable querist, "that I wanted to ask you about the etiquette of marriage in your country. Just then an invasion of women beset the platform. There was the wife of the United States Consul and the spouse of the American physician in the city, where the red Miss Blank; also a lady guest of Mrs. Consul, a half-grown boy, and a Mexican nurse with the American baby. They had been socially sporting themselves in the smiles of the conductor, but suddenly resumed their long time Miss Blank had had in which to work her wiles on her gulleible fellow-men—who had obdurately ignored the fascinations of the lady, and the woman, with the usual feminine amiability to defeat her unlawful spells and spoil her fun. They found the Philadelphia beginning his second pack of cigarettes, and the Marylander pointing a new pencil while Miss Blank gazed, as in an ecstasy, at the acres of cactus in view. At the swarm of invaders she looked exasperatingly demure, and saying, "To be continued in our next," she withdrew to her own section and buried herself, as a good Californian should, in Bret Harte's latest story. Y. H. ADAMS.

**She Was Sorry For Him.**  
[Boston Transcript.]  
"I used to think that men had an awfully easy time," said Mrs. Franks, "but I've changed my mind, and hereafter I'm going to take all the care off Charles I possibly can. You see, the other morning I told Charles we wanted some wood, and to be sure and order some. Well, I waited all day, and that wood didn't come, and was almost angry, for, said I, 'he has forgotten it, as usual.' "Charles didn't come home until late, long after I had retired. He had to go to his club, and it seems he was detained until after midnight. "He was awfully restless, and kept talking in his sleep, saying every once in a while, 'give me another dollar's worth of chips.' So you see, I thought that his mind was troubled about that wood. How much it must have worried him, to thus disturb his rest! Hereafter I'm going to attend to all the house matters myself. Poor man! he has enough to bother him without doing home errands. "Charles didn't come home until late, long after I had retired. 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